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For : Method for producing a mammal provided with resistance to an alpha-herpes virus mediated infection and mammal obtained by implementing said method and said mammal's progeny.

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

DECLARATION (UNDER 37 CFR §1.132) OF DR. PIERRE CHEREL

Sir:

Dr. Pierre Cherel hereby declares:

My Curriculum Vitae is attached herewith;

THAT, I am a veterinary surgeon and the Director of the Research & Development Department at the company France Hybrides;

THAT I have directly or indirectly conducted experiments with transgenic pigs that were produced by the methods described in the U.S. Patent Application mentioned above (hereinafter, "Ono application");

THAT I have reviewed the Office Action dated September 5, 2008, and the references cited therein;

AND, being thus duly qualified as an expert in the field of the invention, I do hereby declare: